

American Airlines Unaccompanied Minor Policy: Complete Guide to Age Limits, Costs-What age can minors fly alone on American Airlines?

📞 (US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859 or (UK) +44 | 808 | 196 | 2756 American Airlines Air Lines offers an **Unaccompanied Minor (UMNR)**

Program to help children travel safely when flying without a parent or guardian

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Who Can Travel Alone?

Child's Age	Travel Rules
Under 5 years	Cannot travel alone (US) +1 866 271 0859 or (UK) +44 808 196 2756. Must travel with an adult (18+) (US) +1 866 271 0859 or (UK) +44 808 196 2756.
5–7 years	May travel only on eligible nonstop American Airlines flights using the Unaccompanied Minor Program (US) +1 866 271 0859 or (UK) +44 808 196 2756.
8–14 years	May travel on eligible nonstop and connecting flights through the Unaccompanied Minor Program (US) +1 866 271 0859 or (UK) +44 808 196 2756.
15–17 years	May travel independently or enroll in the Unaccompanied Minor Program if requested by a parent or guardian (US) +1 866 271 0859 or (UK) +44 808 196 2756. ©

American Airlines Unaccompanied Minor Fee

\$150 USD/CAD/EUR each way

Covers **up to four children** traveling together on the same reservation (US)

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Charged in addition to the airfare (US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859 or (UK) +44 | 808 | 196 | 2756. ©

What the Program Includes

Children enrolled in the program receive:

Airport assistance from American Airlines employees (US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859

Priority boarding(US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859

A trackable wristband(US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859

Escort assistance during eligible connections(US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859

Supervised handoff to the authorized pickup adult(US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859

Access to designated child waiting areas (where available) ©

How to Book an Unaccompanied Minor

Contact American Airlines Reservations to book the itinerary (US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859 or (UK) +44 | 808 | 196 | 2756.

Provide the child's information and travel details (US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859 or (UK) +44 | 808 | 196 | 2756.

Give the names and contact information of the adults dropping off and picking up the child (US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859 or (UK) +44 | 808 | 196 | 2756.

Create the required security PIN for itinerary changes (US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859 or (UK) +44 | 808 | 196 | 2756.

Pay the applicable Unaccompanied Minor fee (US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859 or (UK) +44 | 808 | 196 | 2756. ©

Check-In Requirements

The accompanying adult must:

Bring a valid government-issued photo ID (US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859 or (UK) +44 | 808 | 196 | 2756.

Complete the required check-in paperwork (US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859 or (UK) +44 | 808 | 196 | 2756.

Provide contact information (US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859 or (UK) +44 | 808 | 196 | 2756.

Obtain a gate pass (when issued) (US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859 or (UK) +44 | 808 | 196 | 2756.

Stay at the departure gate until the aircraft has taken off (US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859 or (UK) +44 | 808 | 196 | 2756. ©

Pickup Requirements

The designated pickup adult should:

Present valid photo identification (US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859 or (UK) +44 | 808 | 196 | 2756.

Arrive before the flight lands (US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859 or (UK) +44 | 808 | 196 | 2756.
Complete American Airlines's verification process before the child is released (US)
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Flight Restrictions

American Airlines places several restrictions on unaccompanied minor travel:

Children under 5 cannot travel alone (US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859 or (UK) +44 | 808 | 196 | 2756.
Ages 5–7 are generally limited to eligible nonstop flights (US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859 or (UK)
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Certain connecting itineraries are not permitted (US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859 or (UK)
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Unaccompanied minor travel is generally not allowed on the last connecting flight of the day
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Red-eye flights are generally not permitted except for limited exceptions involving certain
international itineraries or markets with only one daily flight (US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859 or (UK)
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Tips for Parents

Pack identification and emergency contact information (US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859 or (UK)
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Include snacks, entertainment, and any necessary medications (US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859 or
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Label carry-on baggage clearly (US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859 or (UK) +44 | 808 | 196 | 2756.

Arrive at the airport early (US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859 or (UK) +44 | 808 | 196 | 2756.

Explain airport procedures and remind your child to seek help only from American Airlines
employees if needed (US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859 or (UK) +44 | 808 | 196 | 2756. ©

Frequently Asked Questions

Can a 6-year-old fly alone on American Airlines?

Yes (US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859 or (UK) +44 | 808 | 196 | 2756. Children ages **5–7** may travel alone
only on eligible nonstop Tap Air

Portugal flights when enrolled in the Unaccompanied Minor Program (US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859
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Can a 15-year-old fly alone on American Airlines?

Yes (US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859 or (UK) +44 | 808 | 196 | 2756. Travelers aged **15–17** may fly independently or participate in the

Unaccompanied Minor Program if a parent or guardian prefers (US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859 or (UK) +44 | 808 | 196 | 2756. ©

Does American Airlines allow connecting flights for unaccompanied minors? 🧑 (US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859 or (UK) +44 | 808 | 196 | 2756

Yes, eligible children aged **8–14** may travel on certain connecting itineraries

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What documents are required at check-in? 🧑 (US) +1 | 866 | 271 | 0859 or (UK) +44 | 808 | 196 | 2756

The accompanying adult must provide a valid photo ID, contact information

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